

Washington County Board of Commissioners

Regular Meeting

December 14, 2017

9:00am

Commissioners Present: Horace Daniel, Edward Burten, Frank Simmons

Prayer

Pledge

Call to Order

Approval of Past Minutes

- A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the minutes from the previous regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Burten. The motion to approve the minutes passed with a show of hands.

Bills

- A motion was required to approve the bills for the past month as follows:
 - Administrative & Other \$249,921.30
 - Road Department \$46,474.07
 - Sheriff Dept. & Jail \$105,654.27
 - Courthouse \$31,212.99
 - EMA \$571.24
 - E-911 \$12,307.03
 - Landfill \$44,682.00

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the bills for the past month, seconded by Commissioner Burten. The motion was passed by a show of hands.

Road Department Update

- The Roads Superintendent gave an update on the Lamar's Creek Road construction project, sharing that AT&T have complete the installation and relocation of utility cables that serve the area. The contractor will suspend any activity on the project until after January 1, 2018 to prevent any potential issues impacting that road during the holiday season.

Appointments

- Board Meeting Schedule Times – Cassandra Jackson
 - Ms. Jackson inquired of the status regarding a request to change the regular board meeting time to 6:00pm. Chairman Daniel stated that the matter would be discussed and deliberated during the next calendar year. Ms. Jackson stated that she would return for the January meeting to discuss this topic.

Old Business – None

New Business

- Reappointment to Board of Health – Dr. Jennifer Tarbutton
 - Dr. Tarbutton's term is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2017 and has agreed to serve another term beginning January 1, 2018. A vote was required to reappoint Dr. Tarbutton to the Board of Health.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Burten to reappoint Dr. Tarbutton to the Board of Health, seconded by Commissioner Simmons. The motion passed by a show of hands.

- Elections Services – Riddleville
 - The City of Riddleville has requested that the County continue to provide services for its municipal elections. The agreement will be for fifty years, with the City of Riddleville being responsible for all costs related to elections conducted by the County for the municipality. A motion was required to approve an agreement between the County and City of Riddleville for elections services.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve an agreement to continue election services for the City of Riddleville, seconded by Commissioner Burten. The motion was passed by a show of hands.
- 2018 LMIG Projects
 - The Roads Superintendent explained that the County must submit its proposed projects for 2018 by December 31, 2017 in order to receive LMIG funds disbursed by the Georgia Department of Transportation. The total amount for next year's projects will be approximately \$1.6 million, with \$800,000 to be received from GDOT and the remainder funded by T-SPLIST. The proposed projects include resurfacing on Hazard Road and Heard's Bridge Road, an estimated \$100,000 of patching on various County roads, and restriping of 100 miles of paved roads throughout the County. A vote was required to approve the proposed LMIG projects for 2018.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the proposal, seconded by Commissioner Burten. The motion was passed by a show of hands.
- ARDA/UDA Appointment – Jayson Johnston
 - The Augusta Regional Development Alliance and Unified Development Authority will require a new appointment from Washington County since Charles Lee will retire after December 31, 2017. The County Administrator and the President of the Development Authority of Washington County have served as the two appointees since the inception of the two boards. A recommendation was made to appoint the new President of the Development Authority, Jayson Johnston, to those two boards. A vote was required to appoint Mr. Johnston.
 - A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to appoint Mr. Johnston to both boards, seconded by Commissioner Burten. The motion passed by a show of hands.

Contract Ratification – None

Chairman Comments

Meeting Adjourned

Public Comment Session



Horace Daniel, Chairman

Attest:



Dustin Peebles, County Administrator/Clerk